

RECORDED IN PART OF THE INDEX OF LETTERS FROM  
MAY 1942 AND JUNE 1942, WRITTEN BY THE  
~~CONFIDENTIAL~~  
BENITO MUSSOLINI TO ~~JOHN LINCOLN~~. WOULD YOU  
NOT BE PLEASED TO GET A COPIED LETTER THAT I THANK LINCOLN FOR  
THE LETTER HE SENT ME AN HOUR FROM HIM AND THAT I REALIZE FULLY  
THE DANGER WHICH IS RISING UP THERE. I DON'T WANT TO WRITE  
A PERSONAL LETTER SINCE I CONSIDER IT TOO DANGEROUS.

AS FAR AS THE VOLUNTEERS ARE CONCERNED I SUGGEST THAT YOU TAKE UP  
THIS SUBJECT THROUGH BURGK IN A CAREFUL MANNER. SS-CF BURGK WILL GET  
THESE LETTERS FROM ME AND I SUGGEST THAT MEMBERS FROM BURGK'S  
GROUP TOGETHER WITH THE BERLIN CONFIDENCE MAN OF LINCOLN.

LINCOLN'S CONVICTION THAT SWITZER SHOULD BE A COMPLETELY FREE NATIONAL  
STATE SHOULD ONLY BE TACKLED WITH EXTREME CARE. ONLY ONE POINT  
SHOULD BE MADE, namely that SWITZER WOULD HARDLY BE THE PROPER STATE  
TO UNIFY THE NORTH SINCE THE FATE OF THE PEOPLES ARE BEING DETERMINED  
BY THE RUSSIAN AND SWITZER CERTAINLY WOULDN'T REGAIN ITS OWN INTERNAL  
STABILITY AND SWITZER TILL YEARS AFTER THE END OF THE PRESENT WAR.  
THEREFORE THIS A VICTORY OF MR. HULL'S PARTY WOULD BE OUT OF THE QUESTION.  
THOSE IDEAS HAVE TO BE ADVANCED IN CONNECTION WITH LINCOLN'S IDEAS.  
OUR OTHER IDEAS, SUCH AS THE FORMING OF A GERMAN-GERMANIC UNION ARE  
NOT TO BE DISCUSSED, IN FACT IT WOULD BE BEST NOT EVEN TO TOUCH UPON  
THESE. THE GREATEST EMPHASIS SHOULD BE PUT ON THE OBTAINING OF  
SWITZER.

MR. HULL'S POSITION IS AS UNPREDICTED FINANCIALLY AS ORIGINALLY PLANNED.

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